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SUBJ: JARDIM TALKS IN ZAMBIA

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1. AT DINNER PARTY AUGUST 2, HAD BRIEF MOMENT ALONE WITH JORGE JARDIM, WHO TOLD ME TALKS IN LUSAKA HAD GONE WELL AND WERE GETTING EASIER EACH TIME. HE SAID HE HAD SPOKEN WITH SEC GEN AARON MILNER AND SPECIAL ASST. MARK CHONA, BUT HAD NOT MET PRESIDENT KAUNDA. HE SAID INCREASED USE OF NACALA FOR ZAMBIAN TRAFFIC, AND POSSIBLE TALKS BETWEEN PORTUGUESE AND FRELIMO WERE AMONG SUBJECTS DISCUSSED.

2. RE NACALA, JARDIM SAID HE HAS APPOINTED A DR. FNU WAIA RPT FNU WAIA AS HONORARY CONSUL FOR MALAWI RESIDENT IN NACALA TO HANDLE EXPECTED INCREASE IN ZAMBIAN GOODS PASSING THROUGH THAT PORT AND MALAWI. WAIA IS FORMER FRELIMO MEMBER WHO LEFT MOZAMBIQUE ILLEGALLY FOR TRAINING ABROAD AND WAS EDUCATED IN UNITED STATES, THUS SPEAKS GOOD ENGLISH.

3. RE POSSIBLE TALKS WITH FRELIMO, JARDIM SAID HE TOLD  
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ZAMBIANS THERE ARE TWO SEPARATE AND DISTINCT PROBLEMS; ONE INVOLVING RELATIONS BETWEEN FRELIMO AND MOZAMBIQUE, THE OTHER RELATIONS BETWEEN MOZAMBIQUE AND LISBON. JARDIM SAID EVEN IF ONE ASSUMES (WHICH HE DOESN'T) THAT FRELIMO PROPAGANDA IS

CORRECT IN ITS CLAIM THAT FRELIMO CONTROLS 1.2 MILLION PEOPLE IN MOZAMBIQUE, THIS STILL LEAVES MORE THAN SEVEN MILLION FRELIMO DOES NOT CONTROL. BY WHAT RIGHT THEN, ACCEPTING THIS ARGUMENT, SHOULD FRELIMO BE CONSIDERED SPOESMAN FOR THIS OVERWHELMING MAJORITY? JARDIM SAID IF FRELIMO LEADERS WANT TO NEGOTIATE, THEY MUST TALK WITH MOZAMBICANS IN MOZAMBIQUE, AND NOT WITH LISBON.

4. JARDIM SAID HE TOLD ZAMBIANS HE WOULD BE WILLING TO TALK WITH FRELIMO ON TWO CONDITIONS: A) THAT THEY ACCEPT CONCEPT OF TRUE MULTI-RACIALITY, I.E. NEITHER ALL-WHITE NOR ALL-BLACK, AND B) WITHOUT NECESSARILY ABANDONING THEIR COMMUNIST IDEALS, THEY GIVE UP ATTEMPTS TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE BY VIOLENT MEANS.

5. COMMENT: ABOVE GLIMPSE INTO JARDIM'S THINKING IS INTERESTING, BUT DOES NOT REVEAL WHETHER, OR TO WHAT EXTENT IF AT ALL, HIS VIEWS ON MEETINGS WITH FRELIMO REPRESENT OFFICIAL PORTUGUESE POSITION. AND THIS RAISES QUESTION AS TO JUST HOW INFLUENTIAL JARDIM REALLY IS. WHILE PRESIDENT BANDA'S ESTIMATE THAT "JARDIM RUNS MOZAMBIQUE" (BLANTYRE'S 1065) IS PROBABLY A BIT HYPERBOLIC, IT SEEMS EVIDENT THAT JARDIM DOES IN FACT PLAY AN IMPORTANT BEHIND THE SCENES ROLE. I KNOW THAT HE IS CLOSE FRIEND OF FORMER COMMANDING GENERAL KAULZA DE ARRIAGA, AND MAY WELL HAVE HAD SOME INFLUENCE ON DE ARRIAGA'S THINKING, INCLUDING LATTER'S DECISION TO MOVE AHEAD ON AFRICANIZATION OF TROOPS. WHETHER HE HAS CORRESPONDING INFLUENCE ON GOVERNOR GENERAL IS LESS CLEAR, AND HE DOES NOT KNOW NEW COMMANDING GENERAL BASTO MACHADO. THERE IS LITTLE EVIDENCE ON HOW MUCH OF A FOLLOWING WITHIN MOZAMBIQUE HE HAS, ALTHOUGH HIS CONNECTIONS WITH NEWSPAPERS "NOTICIAS DE BEIRA" AND "VOZ AFRICANA" GIVE HIM USEFUL SOUNDING BOARDS. HIS REPORTED VIEWS ON GREATER AUTONOMY FOR MOZAMBIQUE, IF PUBLICIZED, WOULD CERTAINLY STRIKE SYMPATHETIC CHORD WITH NUMBER OF OPPOSITIONIST BUSINESSMEN, BUT THE LIBERAL CROWD OF STUDENTS, INTELLECTUALS, ETC. WOULD PROBABLY BE SUSPICIOUS OF HIS MOTIVES. HE HAS GOOD CONTACTS WITH EX-FRELIMO TYPES, AND HAS PROVIDED JOBS FOR A NUMBER OF THEM, INCLUDING MIGUEL  
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MURUPA, EDITOR OF VOZ AFRICANA.

6. HIS PERSONAL QUALIFICATIONS ARE UNQUESTIONED. HE IS INTELLIGENT, QUICK-THINKING AND PERSUASIVE. HE IS CERTAINLY ACCUSTOMED TO DEALING IN HIGH PLACES. HE HAS COURAGE (E.G. HE TOOK UP FREE FALL AND PARACHUTE JUMPING AT AGE OF 49), IS IMAGINATIVE, RESOURCEFUL, ABUNDANTLY CONFIDENT, AND HAS FLAIR FOR INTRIGUE. MAIN QUESTIONS WOULD CONCERN HIS ACCEPTANCE BY THE BUREAUCRACY HERE, AND HIS INFLUENCE WITH PRIME MINISTER CAETANO AND OTHER HIGH PORTUGUESE IN LISBON. MY GUESS IS THAT HIS GREATEST VALUES TO ESTABLISHMENT ARE HIS STANDING WITH PRESIDENT BANDA, WHICH HELPS KEEP VITAL PORTUGUESE-MALAWI RELATIONSHIP ON EVEN KEEL, AND HIS USE-

FULNESS AS SECRET CONTACT MAN WITH ZAMBIANS AND PERHAPS OTHER  
AFRICANS AS WELL. LATTER ROLE COULD PROVIDE IMPORTANT UN-  
OFFICIAL INFORMAL MEANS OF EXPLORING POSSIBILITIES FOR LATER  
MORE FORMAL PORTUGUESE TALKS WITH OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES.  
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